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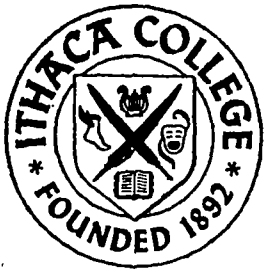
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Executive Committee Elections Thursday

Reform Party

**Seldin, Sanders, Congdon,
Wayne, and Sibley**

In the last edition of the *Ithacan*, a challenge was levied against the Reform Party concerning the qualifications and immediate proposals in relation to Student Government elections.

Our qualifications are: *President*, Bill Seldin, Political Science, class of 1967 — Student Council Representative, Dorm Advisor, Dean's List, Lacrosse Club; *Vice-President*, Bill Sanders, Music, class of 1968 — Vice President of Dorm 12 (High Rise) House Council, Representative of New York State Student Music Assn. for I.C., Member of Concert Band, Member of Tower Lab Band; *Treasurer*, Bob Congdon, Phys. Ed., class of 1967 — President's Host Committee, Phi EK officer, Majors Club, Outing Club, Varsity Club, Track Team, Football Team; *Recording Secretary*, Susan Wayne, Liberal Arts, class of 1967 — President's Host Committee, Recording Secretary of Student Government, Gamma Delta Pi, I.F.C., *Ithacan* (Feature Editor, columnist, correspondence); *Corresponding Secretary*, Claire Sibley, Liberal Arts, class of 1967 (transfer from Amhurst College) — Student Council Representative of Freshman Class, Dorm Representative for Sophomore Year.

We feel that a sincere and energetic approach to Student Government is over and beyond experience. We raise this question, "How necessary is experience?" when applied to a do-nothing organization. Student apathy is bound to appear in the absence of personal involvement with what could be a constructive governmental organization. One is able to master a machine, but to have the necessary drive to capture its productive efforts is vastly more important.

It has been noted that the Student Government of Ithaca College is one of the most perplexing and frustrating environmental situations existing on campus at present. Past officers of Student Government have been overcome by the lack of cooperation and concerted effort of its members. Unless there can be a unified appeal by the Student Government for constructive ideas from the students, there will be no results — only the decay of a possible worthwhile Student Government. We firmly believe that what students want are conceivable plans that will continually affect them personally; not vague promises.

The following platform is also presented in answer to the *Ithacan's* challenge.

The purpose of the Reform Party is to rectify all legitimate gripes students have pertaining to academic and social affairs.

1. Codification of rules printed specifically for students.
 - a) stated policy on rules pertaining to behavior, probation, suspension, and dismissal.
 - b) uniform punishment for all student violations.
2. Alleviation of the chaotic parking situation, by setting up a Parking Committee in cooperation with the Administration.
3. Investigating of the Final Exam schedule so that students will not be forced to take several exams on the same day.
4. Further use of Student Services to supply more jobs for students. (In the past, it has not been used to its full capacity. For example, student help should be used for the High Rise Snack Bar on Sunday).
5. More delegated powers to I.F.C. since they have demonstrated their responsibilities by mature handling of fraternities who have broken rules.
6. Library Improvements
 - a) Investigating the extension of hours in the library.
 - b) Limiting noise in the library.
 - c) Investigating the possibility of a smoking room.
7. Reorganization of the Election procedure to include:
 - a) Extensive publicity of coming elections through the use of WICB and the *Ithacan*.
 - b) Publication of all rules and regulations governing campaigning procedure IN ADVANCE.

The above platform is in response to the underlying student dissension that exists at Ithaca College as we find it.

Student Party

**Gearhart, Schumacher, Gilpatric,
Veltz, and Shreve**

The qualifications for the candidates for the Executive Committee on the Student Party ticket are as follows: *President*, Dave Gearhart, Drama, class of 1968 — Student Congress, Student Congress Chairman, Executive Committee, Leaders' Group, Vice President of the Sophomore Class, Union Board Executive Committee, Committee Chairman of Publicity for Union, Information Desk Staff, Chairman, Fall Weekend Decorations Committee, Men's Honor Dorm Committee and House Manager, Grievance Committee Chairman, Purdue Associated Student Governments Conference, Cornell Union Board Conference, Scampers '65, Orientation Committee fall '66; *Vice President*, Bob Schumacher, Business, class of 1968 — Student Council, House Council, Orientation Committee '66; *Treasurer*, Pete Gilpatric, Liberal Arts, class of 1969 — House Council, Ski Team, Ski Club Treasurer, Orientation Committee '66; *Recording Secretary*, Mary Anne Veltz, Speech Correction, class of 1968 — Student Congress, House Council, Orientation Counselor, Orientation Committee '66, Big Sister program; *Corresponding Secretary*, Leslie Shreve, Drama, class of 1967 — House Council Vice President, Performing Arts Committee, Exhibit Committee, Big Sister program Chairman, Dorm Advisor, Night Clerk for East Tower, I.F.C. proxy, W.G.B. Vice President, Drama Department Secretary, Scampers.

The platform for the Student Party is:

1. Bus service to the new complexes.
2. A machine shop — vending machines of all kinds in a room that will be open 24 hours a day.
3. Investigation of alleged maltreatment of illnesses at the Infirmary.
4. Executive Committee office hours so that all students may speak directly to their Government and express their ideas and views on the latest issue.
5. Expanded book exchange to aid students in buying books at a lesser cost than that which is already charged and in selling their used books at a higher price than they would get now.
6. Curfew extension particularly Friday night to 1:30.
7. Liquor privilege extension to house and frat parties. From there hopefully to legal possession in the rooms.
8. Re-institution of the Big Brother Program.
9. Extension of course evaluation to many more professors than are using it now.
10. A solution to the parking problem.
11. Open men's lounges without proctors from 7:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.
12. Weekly Government newsletter in all mailboxes.
13. Open files on past exams to help the student study for tests.
14. Student advisory board to the administration for rulings that involve student life.
15. Identical house constitutions and fines so that a person in one dorm is not being fined more than a person in another dorm for the same offense.
16. Nationalization of those fraternities that desire it.

Gearhart and Seldin Head Two Tickets

**Polls Open From
8 a.m. — 8 p.m.**

**Splitting of Tickets
Possible**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Elections for the Executive Committee of Student Government will begin tomorrow, Thursday, April 29 at 8 a.m. in the Egbert Union and in the Towers. Both voting booths will remain open until 8 p.m.

The only election scheduled for tomorrow is between Bill Seldin on the Reform Party ticket and Dave Gearhart running on the Student Party ticket. The supporting candidates for the Reform Party are Bill Sanders for Vice President, Bob Congdon for Treasurer, Sue Wayne for Recording Secretary, and Claire Sibley for Corresponding Secretary. For the Student Party ticket the Vice Presidential nominee is Bob Schumacher; Treasurer, Pete Gilpatric; Recording Secretary, Mary Anne Veltz; and Corresponding Secretary, Leslie Shreve.

The Chairman of the Election Commission has announced that students are required to present the ID cards in order to vote. To prevent possible confusion and dishonesty, each card will be punched to inhibit voting more than once.

MEN'S GOVERNING BOARD

Men's Governing Board was also scheduled for elections tomorrow. However, informed sources say that the President of the Student Body, Robert C. Wilcox, will cast one vote for the ticket. This is apparently being done since the MGB ticket is running unopposed. The Constitution requires a majority vote for any ticket to be elected to office.

The students running on the Men's Governing Board ticket are: President, Fred Alexander, Bruce Clark, Rick deFunia, Paul Evans, Larry Hanney, Bob Schandler, and Harry Stanton.

Special Student Congress Meeting Tonight

At 6:30 p.m. in Lower Lecture Hall of The Science Building

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The Platforms — An Analysis

The Editorial Board of *The Ithacan* has carefully considered the platforms of both parties—that of the Student Party and that of the Reform Party. We felt that both platforms have their merits as well as their poorer points. We would like to enlarge on the platforms and to explain the platitudes and promises along with the goals for which both parties are working.

STUDENT PARTY

Bus service to the complexes is not only impractical but has been vetoed as too expensive.

A machine shop that will contain vending machines is another impractical promise, for women will not be able to benefit from this arrangement, and men can continue to order out or go downtown after curfew. Food is available 16 hours a day. Secondly, this suggestion has already been vetoed by the Administration for being too costly.

Executive Committee office hours is an excellent idea.

Expanded Book Exchange, which was started THIS year could be expanded once it is working properly on a small scale.

Investigation of alleged Infirmary maltreatments is already being handled by a Committee chaired by Dr. Morgan, Dean of Health and Physical Education with help from MGB and WGB.

Curfew extensions is under the auspices of Women's Governing Board. This year under the capable leadership of Vicki Werder, WGB has done a remarkable job in further extending women's privileges.

Liquor privileges in fraternities comes under the jurisdiction of IFC. Furthermore the President has definitely said no to such a proposal.

The Big Brother program has a great potential. It would be good to see it instituted again.

The extension of the Course Evaluation is good. Let's see it in operation.

A solution to the parking problem, based on seniority, was already rejected this year. Because catalogues have already been published for next year, no changes in the rules can be made. After that, no Freshmen will be allowed cars. In the meantime, parking lots are being built as quickly as possible.

Open men's lounges are under the responsibilities of WGB and the Dean of Women. Suggest, but don't promise. Try, it's a reasonable idea.

A Weekly government newsletter in every mailbox is great. Let students know exactly what is happening.

Open files for past exams was one idea that came from the Leaders' Group meetings on Cheating. Faculty and Administration are split for various reasons. Work on it though. Don't take this no for an answer.

The Student Advisory Board proposed is, as stated in the Student Government constitution, Leaders' Group, which has had, in past, many worthy discussions.

The plan for identical house punishment and proceedings is already in the first stages of operations under WGB and MGB.

Nationalizations of socials has already been vetoed by the Administration for various reasons. If, and when the time comes, it will be here. Until then, let's not aggravate the situation.

REFORM PARTY

Codification of the many rules and regulations at Ithaca College is definitely a good idea. Sometimes, unknown rules seem to pop up.

Again, the parking situation, stands for now.

Investigation of the final exam schedule is a necessity, for there are still many supposedly unsolvable problems existing.

Student Services, passed this year, still has a long way to go through a lot of red tape. It is worth working for though.

The granting of more power to I.F.C. is a commendable part of the platform. They are constantly improving and proving themselves.

Library improvements are a greatly needed plan. Our library has a great potential and several kinky problems which require extension and solution immediately.

The reorganization of the Election procedure is by far the most valid part of the platform. During the years, students of Ithaca College have witnessed chaotic conditions. On the inside, there seems to be some unnecessary cut-throating which will not benefit the entire campus.

In essence, the Editorial Board finds that both parties do have some valid ideas. We also can easily recognize some padding of platforms with platitudes. Again, we will repeat ourselves and say, if Student Government is a real necessity, then students must show some interest in it. Elections are tomorrow, and it is our sincere hope that all students will closely evaluate the two platforms and will then decide which platform to have more merit. Secondly, each student should think carefully about the individual persons running for each office. Their qualifications are listed. Think carefully and then remember to vote.

WGB: Why Go On Balloting

While the elections for Women's Governing Board are over, *The Ithacan* would like to question certain misunderstandings regarding the results, the contestment, and the final decision of Student Court. We would like to make it clear that we do not disagree with the elections results. The ends are set; we merely question the means.

When the initial decision was announced Tuesday night, there was a contesting of the counting by a member of the defeated opposition. On Wednesday night, there was a second counting of the votes which apparently was as chaotic and confused at the first. Instead of adding machines to take the place of badly needed voting machines (which can and were rented from Tompkins County at \$30 a day for the mock elections of November) little scratch marks were drawn on pieces of paper. People were shouting out names. A strange command performance to be presented for the second counting.

There were also accusations made after the second counting concerning a few people that were supposedly alone in the Student Government office along with the unchaperoned ballots. Fine. But not just two people have keys to the office. Actually, more than thirty people are able to make use of the office every day. What about the other twenty-eight?

The differences in the first counting and the second seemed to have been sufficient to discredit both tabulations and to call for a new election. Student Court, in a sense, concurs with this opinion. However, the initial results stand, and the Court will investigate. The question then lies with the possibility that the investigation will show the original decision to be amiss.

There is absolutely no reason why such an absurd situation exists or has been permitted to continue its nebulous and rather aggravating life. Should there be any problems with tomorrow's election, then it is about time we thought of something else to do to amuse ourselves. Elections are not supposed to be entertaining; rather a serious consensus of the governed.

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Editorial Board. The Ithacan will print all signed letters, providing that they are not obscene, for we respect our readers' right to express their opinions.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

PLATFORMS

Dear Editor:

The platforms are out—and aren't they glorious? Look at all that is promised—extended curfew, extended liquor policy, parking lot solution. Utopia is just around the corner . . .

For all those not in Student Government, I'd like to recount what has happened this year. First, WGB has investigated the Infirmary and set up a Health Board to handle complaints. It has also discussed opening the men's lounges and extended curfew. All these things can be handled only through WGB.

Leaders' Group or Executive Committee, both have discussed: extended liquor policy, fraternity affiliation, IFC jurisdiction, codification of punishment, etc. for many hours.

It is also interesting to note that Student Government did submit a solution to the parking problem—it was ignored.

These are old issues, and I am sorry to see that neither party offered a solution, only a restatement of the problems.

Susan J. Lenox
Women's Governing Board

QUALIFICATIONS

Dear Editor:

In the April 22nd issue of *The Ithacan* there were numerous letters printed concerning the forthcoming elections and one candidate in particular. The letters say that *The Ithacan's* editorials have been unfair to Candidate David Gearhart, and the

long list of 'qualifications' would lead any less informed reader to believe we're going to have the opportunity to elect a second Messiah or at least Batman's sidekick Robin, boy wonder . . . would you believe Deputy Barney Fife? Well, it seems a fair number of gullible people actually believe experience is THE key ingredient that a candidate must have to be effective.

Toni Seger has a few points in her letter, concerning the candidate, that need clarification. First, Mr. Gearhart is chairman of the Grievance (now called Suggestion) Committee. This is not an especially remarkable feat; merely a normal committee doing an average job. Second, the job of Vice President of any class offers little experience that is of great value to Student Body President. The candidate was on the Executive Committee, which would have been good experience, had he offered new, creative, or unique ideas. The same applies to Leader's Group. He never, to my memory, did offer anything.

As far as his being orientation chairman for NEXT fall, it is questionable how much experience one gets from a job not yet done. Secondly, Mr. Gearhart has assumed that he will be Student Body President who serves as chairman of the Orientation Committee.

Being Chief delegate to the Purdue Conference, I must admit was valuable. A good deal of worthwhile information was passed on there. Other confer-

ences like the one at Cornell and the CCFL are of some value.

As many others have been, Mr. Snitkin is under the delusion that Mr. Gearhart is responsible for the forthcoming administration services for students. Student Services, as proposed, was not accepted by the College administration. The permission with which people credit the candidate had been obtained two months earlier. In fact, there have been plans for a barbershop on campus since my freshman year.

Finally, "what right does anyone have to call the Student Party a machine?" is not the pertinent question. What is important it, what right does the Student Party have to call itself that? I am the head of that party by virtue of my election on that ticket last year. I never asked this candidate to run on the Student Party ticket. The use of the Student Party name was at best bad manners.

May I suggest two other things which might be more valuable to a candidate than 'experience'. 1. A quality of open mindedness to listen to someone who might know more than he on an issue, and 2. Imagination.

If anyone has any questions concerning this letter or issues of the campaign, they can be answered at the special session of Congress to be held on Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. in the Lower Lecture Hall of the Science Building.

Student Body President
Robert C. Wilcox

Power Always Rises To The Top



The Old Refrain: One More Time

